

Notice of Allowability

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Examiner

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to amendment filed 16 January 2007 and Examiner's amendment.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 17-24 being renumbered as 1-8.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Louis Sickles II on 28 March , 2007.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claims :

17. (Currently amended) A data recording, editing and reproducing method for recording, editing and reproducing video and/or audio data (DV data) in the DV format, said method comprising the steps of:

receiving DV data through an IEEE 1394 Interface;

temporarily storing the received DV data into a DV data storage region of a buffer memory;

separating and reading out audio data and/or video data from the DV data stored in the DV storage region of the buffer memory and writing the read out audio data and/or video data into audio and/or video data storage regions of the buffer memory;

recording the DV data stored in the DV storage region of the buffer memory into a DV storage region of a disc means;

recording the audio and/or video data stored in the audio and/or video data storage regions of the buffer memory into audio and/or video storage regions of the disc means;

transmitting post recording audio and/or video data into the post recording data storage region on the buffer memory;

recording the post-recording audio or video data stored in the post-recording audio or video data region of the buffer memory into post-recording audio or video data regions of the disc means;

editing the audio and/or video data stored in the audio and/or video data storage regions of the disc means by replacing [these] the audio data and/or video data by the post-recording audio and/or video data stored in the disc means, and

reproducing the edited audio and/or video data on the disc means by storing [these] the edited audio data and/or video data and the DV data on the disc means into the respective data storage regions of the buffer memory, multiplexing [these] the stored audio and/or video data with [these] the stored DV data and sending out [these] multiplexed audio and/or video data and DV data as DV data.

24. (Currently amended) A data. recording editing and reproducing device for recording, editing and reproducing video and/or audio data (DV data) in the DV format, said device comprising:

[An] an IEEE 1394 interface circuit (12) for sending and receiving DV data;

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a buffer memory (13) for temporarily storing data into a DV data storage region, an audio and/or video data storage region, and a post recording data storage region;

a disc means (15) for recording data into a DV data storage region, an audio and/or video data storage region, and a post recording data storage region;

an insert data generation circuit (20) for providing audio data and/or video data to be inserted into the DV data;

a data recording and reproduction circuit (16,18) for carrying out writing in and reading out data with respect to the disc means (15); and

a separation and multiplexing block (17, 111,161) for separating audio and/or video data from DV data at the time of recording, and multiplexing audio and/or video data with respect to DV-data at the time of reproduction; wherein for recording, reproducing and editing DV data received from the interface circuit (12):

[- The] the DV data sent by the interface circuit (12) being stored into the DV storage region of the buffer memory (13) as they are,

[-] the separation and multiplexing block (17,111,161) reading out audio data and/or video data from the DV data stored in the DV storage region of the buffer memory (13) and writing the audio and/or video data into the audio and/or video data storage regions of the buffer memory (13),

[-] the insert data generation data providing circuit (20) transmitting post recording audio and/or video data into the post recording data storage region on the buffer memory (13),

[-] the data recording and reproduction circuit (18) recording the DV data stored in the DV storage region of the buffer memory (13) into the DV storage region of the disc means (15), the audio and/or video data stored in the audio and/or video data storage regions of the buffer memory (13) and the post recording audio or video data stored in the post-recording audio or video data region of the buffer memory (13) into the audio and/or video storage regions and the post-recording audio or video data regions of the disc means (15); wherein for editing purposes audio and/or video data stored in the audio and/or video data storage regions of the disc means (15) are replaced by post-recording audio or video data stored in the disc means (15), and wherein the edited audio and/or video data on the disc means (15) are reproduced by storing [them] the edited audio and/or video data and the DV data on the disc means (15) into the respective data storage regions of the buffer memory (13), by multiplexing these audio and/or video data with [these] the DV data on the disc means by means of the separation and multiplexing block (17, 111, 161) and sending [them] the multiplexed audio and/or video data and the DV data to the interface circuit (12) as DV data.

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to HUY T. NGUYEN whose telephone number is (571) 272-7378. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30AM -6:00PM.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James Groody can be reached on (571) 272-7950. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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